

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Joseph Snyder on 4/26/06.

2. The drawings that were filed on May 21, 2001, have been accepted by Examiner.

3. The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 18, step b), after "contacting a", "dilution" has been deleted and --portion-
- has been inserted therefor.

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In claim ¹⁸~~19~~, step e), after "contacting another", "dilution" has been deleted and --
portion-- has been inserted therefor.

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gailene R. Gabel whose telephone number is (571) 272-0820. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM.